President.—Whatever may be the object of the question a reason is given for the answer.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Would it not be necessary to retain some extra hands for this?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know whether the Legislative Council Secretary and staff are full-time officers working throughout the year?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—The staff is full-time, but the Secretary is not.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—How did the Government come to understand the purpose served by asking this question?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government could understand that purpose.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Then what is the purpose?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is not the duty of the Government to explain a purpose.

Cut motions passed in the Legislative Council.

468. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the total number of cut motions passed ever since the Cochin Legislative Council was instituted?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—

Year.	*No. of cut motions passed.*
1100	1
1101	Nil
1102	8
1103	12
1104	1
1105	17
1106	13
1107	15
1108 till 20th May 1933	8
Total	75

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Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—On a point of order, Sir. The other day the Government gave an assurance during question time that questions which are inter-related will not be split up. But here I find that there is a slip in the practice now. There were ever so many questions coming upon this. They have been split up.

President.—Very probably this was printed before that.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—But this is an independent question. It is not related to any other.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—There are some others.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Most probably they have not been answered.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Of these on how many have the Government taken action?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—On every one of the cut motions passed here action is taken.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know how many of them have been accepted by the Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice.

Cut motions passed—Last 3 years.

469. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the total number of cut motions passed in this House for the last three years?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—

Year.	*No. of cut motions passed.*
1105	17
1106	13
1107	15
Total	45

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